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REPLY TO ATTN OF:

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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Kenneth D. Brooks, Administrator Division of Environment Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Statehouse Boise, Idaho 83720

Re: NPDES Permit No. ID-002540-2

Cyprus Thompson Creek

Dear Mr. Brooks:

Enclosed for your use in completing a certification action is a copy of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit which EPA proposes to reissue.

Comments received on the draft permit (copy enclosed) have not resulted in any permit changes. However, the limitations for lead and zinc in the proposed final permit (Part I.A.l.) have been changed due to a recalculation of the water quality-based limitations, and Parts II, III and IV have been modified to incorporate regulatory language required by the Water Quality Act of 1987. We would appreciate receiving the State Certification at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely.

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Harold E. Geren, Chief Water Permits and Compliance Branch

Enclosures

cc: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare-DOE, Pocatello

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